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CHANNEL CHATTER



YOUNG FORMS NEW ENVIRONMENTAL GROUP

HIGHLANDS – Jackie Young, well known activist for cleaning up the Superfund Toxic Waste Pits in the San Jacinto River, has announced that she has formed a new organization that will expand its interest to include all types of pollution in the environment.



Jackie Young

The new non-profit organization will be known as the Texas Health and Environmental Alliance, Inc. or THEA for short. Ms. Young will be the director of this organization, but she expects it to expand its staff. She said she will continue as director of the San Jacinto River Coalition, which will work with THEA on sites or problems of common concern. Her previous organization, TexansTogether, will not be involved in this environmental effort.

Ms. Young said that she has obtained some seed money from two foundations, the Houston Endowment and the Mitchell Foundation, to start the work. She expects to get additional support in the near future.

The prospectus for THEA says it will deal with any issues of Public Health and the Environment in the lower San Jacinto River watershed area. This would include Highlands and Channelview, but also areas to the south such as Pasadena, Deer Park, and others.

Ms. Young said that several Superfund sites may require further work or

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GP Council okays new lights, sidewalks, police chief

GALENA PARK – The business of the city moved ahead at two City Council meetings last week. A large agenda was heard and acted on with efficiency and cooperation between the Mayor and the new Council on June 7, and then on June 9 at a special called meeting Council took action on replacing the Police Chief.

In her first term, in 2014, Mayor Moya had attempted to replace the city administrator, police chief, city attorney, and some department heads. Unsuccessful then, she achieved all of those changes in her second term, this year, with the support of a totally new Council.

At the June 9 meeting, Police Chief Jonathan Rader was demoted to Sergeant, and an interim Police Chief, Sgt. Andrew Scroggins was appointed. Moya also announced



Stephen DonCarlos, mayor of Baytown but also representing the Houston Port Authority, present a plan to Council that shows new sidewalks the Port will build, from Galena Park to Jacinto City.



Rodney Chersky, appointed Mayor Pro-Tem for six months.

that she had assumed the managerial duties of running the city, since the City Administrator position had been eliminated.

Improvements in the city were announced in several presentation. Stephen DonCarlos, may-

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Local residents visit with Hillary Clinton



Linda Jamail, Nominee Hillary Clinton and Allan Jamail.

Recently Linda and Allan Jamail visited with Democratic Party Presidential Nominee Hillary Clinton during her Houston visit.

The Jamail's both Texas Democratic Party Executive Committee members were part of a small private gathering of Clinton supporters committed to the historical presidential candidacy of Hillary as the first female presidential candidate of a major political party in the

United States.

Allan Jamail said, "I was happy to see at the event so many Republicans joining to help Hillary in her election contest with Donald Trump, the Republican's nominee."

Hillary pledged to raise wages for the lowest-paid jobs and strengthen equal pay protections for women.

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San Jacinto College reopens Lehr Library

New building blends old with new

HOUSTON — Civic leaders, community residents and San Jacinto College employees were on hand on Wednesday, June 8 for the grand reopening of the Lehr Library, located at the west entrance of the San Jacinto College North Campus on Uvalde Road.

The 42,718-square-foot facility includes a traditional library as well as a law library, a media department and the North Campus Student Success Center. The library also includes an outdoor learning area where classes or special events can be held. The open-air arena has two tiers of seating and is surrounded by attractive landscaping.

Lyn Garner, North Campus library director, welcomed guests to the ceremony and invited them to tour the facility.

"This new library is in keeping with the vision of San Jacinto College and the goal of student success," Garner commented. "While

around you, you may see the traditional trappings of a library, the Lehr library is actually a multi-purpose building that offers both traditional research in books and modern research in electronic formats, and a diverse Student Success Center that assists students with tutoring and mentoring needs. In today's educational world, information literacy is one of the keys to success in academic achievement. A college education at its best should excite a student to be a life-long learner. There is no better place for that to occur than at a library."

"At San Jacinto College, our building programs have been funded through general obligation bonds which require the support and vote of our taxpayers," commented San Jacinto College Chancellor Dr. Brenda Heller at the event. "This new building is from our 2008 bond, and I want to thank our community members and tax payers for their



The new library has 42,718-square-feet which also includes a law library and other departments, areas.

support because without them we would not be able to build and renovate facilities to meet the needs of our students, faculty and staff"

The new Lehr Library

building replaces the original Lehr Library, which will be demolished to make way for new construction.

The library is named in honor of the late Dr. Edwin Lehr, the first president of

the San Jacinto College North Campus. Lehr was a history professor when San Jacinto College opened in 1961. He was named vice

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Houston Symphony brings Class(ics) to North Shore



The Houston Symphony Community Concert series visited Northshore High School for a fantastic free concert on Thursday, October 9th. Directed by Robert Franz, the Symphony presented great works from Wagner, Tchaikovsky, and Gershwin with familiar melodies from Madama Butterfly, Cinderella, and the Pirates of the Caribbean. Joining them on stage was vocalist Gwendolyn Alfred, a superb opera style singer and Blas Canedo Gonzalez, a baritone of excellent talent. The Community Concert series are free to the public, and several of them are performed each summer in various venues around the city.

by John Denning.



Associate Conductor Robert Franz not only directed the Orchestra, but did a Q and A session with the audience participating.



Guest Artist Blas Canedo Gonzalez was an audience favorite, with a strong baritone performance, and a dance move, wiggling his hips, that amazed even Conductor Franz.

North Channel Star photo/Hoffman

SCHOOL NEWS

GPISD Education Foundation honors first “Beyond the Book” Winners



Ruby Chavez



Angela Walker



Laina Barajas

Galena Park ISD's Education Foundation was created and exists to monetarily support students and employees in Galena Park ISD through scholarships and teaching grants. To date, over one million dollars in scholarships and grants have been awarded by the Foundation, and countless employees have been acknowledged at the Annual Dazzling Diamonds Gala, which honors the district's top graduates. The Foundation also

seeks to acknowledge other employees who go above and beyond their core duties to teach children and/or support the delivery of education in GPISD. On Thursday, May 19th, for the first time, the Foundation recognized three educators for the first Annual "Beyond the Book" award as a result of their dedication to excellence and for exhibiting the district's mission to lead, learn and serve with passion.

This year's winners

were Angela Walker, Harvard Elementary Teacher; Laina Barajas, North Shore Senior High School Teacher; and Ruby Chavez, MacArthur Elementary Paraprofessional.

GPISD hosts Middle School Pentathlon



Students from Cunningham, Galena Park, North Shore, and Woodland Acres Middle Schools competed in the district's Pentathlon recently. This year's theme was India, and the students spent much of the school year studying all different types of information over the topic. Tests were taken in English/Language Arts, science, math, social studies and fine arts. The students also competed in a separate event, the Super Quiz, where North Shore's 7th grade and Galena Park's 8th grade teams walked away victorious. North Shore Middle School took home the overall team trophy while earning the Individual Division Champion Award for each of the three divisions for both grade levels. The event was a success, and the students and coaches are already looking forward to starting the study on next year's theme.

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Spring Cleaning Tips From Connie
Let's get out the cleaning supplies and tackle "spring cleaning." The number one piece of equipment is your vacuum cleaner, so don't overlook the maintenance.

- Change the bags frequently and the filters every 10 bags. Bagless vacuums need the filter checked and cleaned. Dirty filters bog the machine down and can cause damage to the circuit board and the motor.
- Check the beater bar/brush roller (the spinning brush underneath the vacuum that brushes dirt out of carpet). Use scissors or your hands to remove anything wrapped around or caught in the brush roller.
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SCHOOL NEWS

SHELDON ISD

C. E. King Middle School students get lessons in Tech by Best Buy's Geek Squad Academy

Some students from Sheldon's C. E. King Middle School started off their summer with Best Buy's Geek Squad Academy.

The academy is a program that helps teach students about technology in a fun and interactive way. The 2-day event is made up of numerous 50 minute classes that teach students about things like Photography and Film Production, 3D Design, Digital Citizenship, Robotics, and Digital Music Creation. The program aims to expose students to the value of a STEM education.

"Classes and jobs in the future are going to be going toward a more computerized life, so being able to have a start ahead of the game, and being able to get kids involved in the things that are not always available in schools is really important," said Evan Wargolet, Field Lieutenant/Event Manager, Geek Squad Academy - Houston.

The Geek Squad Academy was started nearly 10 years

ago in Chicago and has since evolved into so much more.

"It's nationwide. We have 30 camps this summer," Wargolet said.

The event came to the middle school in large part thanks to C. E. King Middle School teacher, Sofia Luna.

"I started contacting the community to see how we could improve our kids' education," Luna said.

In her search, Ms. Luna found the academy and contacted them. She filled out an application and a few months later, she found out that the middle school was selected to host a Geek Squad Academy camp this summer.

"I think it's a great opportunity for our kids. Our kids deserve the world, and we need to be exposing them to more stuff like this," Luna said.

Many of the students are happy they decided to sign up for the academy too.

"I heard that it was a great opportunity. I like learning about new stuff and technol-



Best Buy team works with C.E. King middle school students on Tech lessons.

ogy," said 8th grader, Sofia Garcia. "My dad went to school for technology stuff, so he's always teaching me. He thought this was a great opportunity too."

Sofia walked away from the academy with a new appreciation for technology, especially in film.

"For film, I learned that it's much harder than it looks like, and that there's more of a process to it. So when I

watch a movie now, I think I'll be able to focus more on the technique they used," Garcia said.

Others enjoyed the film class for different reasons.

"I really wanted to do the music production and the film and script classes because I really love acting," said 7th grader, Madison Maglievaz.

For more information on the Geek Squad Academy, go to academy.geeksquad.com.

Galena Park ISD celebrates National Nurse's Week

Last month, Galena Park ISD recognize each of the school nurses in appreciation of all they for the staff and students each and every day.

This year, there are three very special nurses who have received



Sylvia Brosig and Lisa Reaves

honor:

Diana Grimaldo (RN) at

Galena Park High School was

awarded the "Partnership in

Nutrition Award" from The

Texas Association for School

Nutrition.

Sylvia Brosig (LVN) at

North Shore Senior High

School was a Dazzling Dia-

mond honoree and recipi-

ent this year.

Lisa Reaves (RN) at North

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OPINION

The ABCs Of ESAs:
What parents
need to know

(NAPSI)—Improved student achievement and higher graduation rates are not as hard to achieve as one might think. They could become a reality with one simple policy: educational choice.

Robust parental choice in education is an idea that has taken root in more communities in the U.S. than ever before, and education savings accounts (ESAs) are the best mechanism to date for funding customized learning for students.

These accounts allow families to completely tailor their children's educational experience by funding students instead of physical school buildings and letting that funding follow children to any education provider of choice. This gives parents access to options that meet their children's unique learning needs.

For example, in Arizona, parents can withdraw their children from public or charter schools and 90 percent of the funds the state would have spent on them is deposited into an ESA (known in Arizona as an Empowerment Scholarship Account). Parents can then use these funds for such education-related expenses as:

- private school tuition and fees;
- education therapy services;
- textbooks and tutoring;
- online learning courses;
- Advanced Placement (AP) exams, achievement tests and college admission exams;
- contributions to a 529 college savings plan;
- college tuition and textbooks;

• individual public school classes and programs.

The funding can go to several education providers at once, an option that could become increasingly important as online learning proliferates.

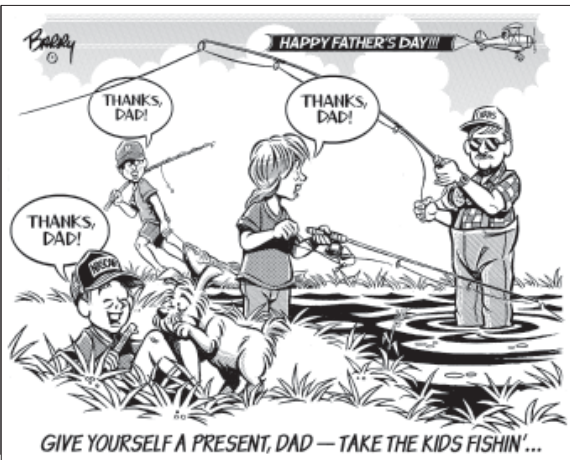
This level of customization helps bring American education into the 21st century and can ensure that no child is relegated to the limited effectiveness of a monopolistic system.

Parents can also "roll over" unused funds from year to year. ESAs are the only educational choice policy to date that affords consideration of "opportunity costs," which encourage families to pursue the best education for the best value to maximize their ESA dollars.

A recent study by the Friedman Foundation for Educational Choice—a nonprofit and nonpartisan organization—discovered that when parents are able to choose where their children go to school, they're happier with the entire experience. School choice also leads to increased academic achievement, graduation rates and student safety.

In addition, the foundation says, educational choice options put competitive pressure on public school systems to improve and to meet the needs of students or risk losing pupils—and money.

Learn More
Only five states currently have ESA programs. For a list of resources and more information about educational choice, visit www.edchoice.org/parents-and-educators.



Governors confer about
containing spread of Zika

AUSTIN — Gov. Greg Abbott on June 9 participated in a White House-hosted conference call for governors to discuss the Zika virus threat and what to do about it.

U.S. Secretary of Health and Human Services Sylvia Burwell and Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Director Dr. Tom Frieden led the call.

Frieden said no vaccine exists to prevent the Zika virus disease, and the way for individuals to prevent contracting the disease is to avoid getting bitten by mosquitoes.

"With the recent floods, and as we enter the height of mosquito season, I encourage Texans to take precautions to protect themselves from mosquito exposure and heed all warnings and recommendations from health officials," Abbott said after the conference call.

While the Texas Task Force on Infectious Disease Preparedness and Response and the Department of State Health Services finalize a plan to combat the spread of the virus, the most important thing Texans can do is to remain vigilant, including when traveling abroad to countries experiencing Zika outbreaks and eliminating standing water, Abbott added.

On May 13, the CDC gave states and territories until June 13 to apply for funds to fight Zika.

The CDC acknowledged the \$85 million in available funding is not enough to support a comprehensive Zika response and can only temporarily address what is needed.

DSHS reports on
Zika

The Texas Department of State Health Services on June 10 said Texas has had 41 reported cases of Zika virus disease.

Of those cases, 40 were in travelers who were infected abroad and diagnosed after they returned home; one of those travelers was a pregnant woman. One case involved a Dallas County resident who had sexual contact with someone who acquired the Zika infection while traveling abroad.

The DSHS posted this list of Zika cases by county: Bexar, 6; Collin, 1; Dallas, 6; Denton, 2; Ellis, 1; Fort Bend, 2; Grayson, 1; Harris, 13; Tarrant, 4; Travis, 2; Val Verde, 1; Williamson, 1; and Wise, 1, for a total of 41 cases.

The DSHS is advising Texans to protect themselves against Zika by applying EPA-registered insect repellents; wearing pants and long-sleeved shirts that cover exposed skin; using screens or closing windows and doors to keep mosquitoes out; removing standing water in and around the home; and covering trash cans or containers where water can collect.

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STATE CAPITAL
HIGHLIGHTS
By Ed Sterling



West Nile is here, too
On June 7, the DSHS posted information about the mosquito-borne West Nile virus, known to be active in Texas.

The agency said the state's first case of the nervous system-attacking disease was diagnosed in a person from El Paso County.

In 2015, some 275 human cases of West Nile illness were reported in Texas, reportedly causing 16 deaths.

Hurricane drill is
held

The Texas Department of Public Safety on June 8 posted information about a multi-agency exercise in which a mock "Hurricane Tejas" led to the evacuation of a sample group of 300 people.

The agency's Texas Division of Emergency Management coordinated the exercise with local, state, federal and private sector partners, moving volunteer "general and medical evacuees" from the lower Rio Grande Valley to the sheltering jurisdictions of San Antonio, Austin, Fort Worth and Irving.

DPS Director Steven McCraw said, "Protecting Texans from natural disasters demands vigorous preparation, and exercises like this keep our emergency management system

honed and ready to assist our local partners should a significant storm threaten Texas."

Tax allocations are
lower

Texas Comptroller Glenn Hegar on June 8 announced his office will send cities, counties, transit systems and special purpose taxing districts \$618 million in local sales tax allocations for June, 1.8 percent less than in June 2015.

These allocations are based on sales made in April by businesses that report tax monthly. "Energy-centric cities such as Midland, Odessa and Corpus Christi continued to see decreases in sales tax allocations," Hegar said. "Meanwhile, other areas of the state helped offset those losses as Austin, El Paso and Irving saw moderate increases in allocations."

Waterway gains
status

The U.S. Department of Transportation has granted the Texas Department of Transportation's application to designate the Gulf Intracoastal Waterway from Brownsville to Port Arthur as Marine Highway 69, TxDOT announced June 8.

According to TxDOT, the designation clears the way for federal grants to ports for projects along the waterway that would help relieve roadway congestion.

Texas Transportation Commissioner Jeff Moseley said, "We are now better-positioned to shift freight from our congested roads to Marine Highway 69's waterborne freight system, where it can be more efficiently transported."

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OPINION

ACA
improved
health
insurance
coverage for
rural areas

WASHINGTON, DC — June 10, 2016 — The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services released an analysis of how the Affordable Care Act has benefited rural America. The findings, which examine independent studies and other data, show that health coverage in rural counties increased by 8.0 percentage points between late 2013 and early 2015, and the share of rural Americans unable to afford needed care dropped by almost six percentage points.

"The Affordable Care Act has helped millions of people in rural areas access quality, affordable health coverage," said Secretary Sylvia M. Burwell. "As someone from rural America, I know how important these gains in coverage and access to care are to communities like my hometown of Hinton, West Virginia."

Despite being disproportionately likely to live in states that have not expanded Medicaid, rural Americans have seen coverage gains under the Affordable Act on par with residents of cities because they have benefited from the Health Insurance Marketplace and tax credits that keep coverage affordable, from other coverage reforms such as the elimination of exclusions based on pre-existing conditions.

The new analysis documents the success of the Health Insurance Marketplace in particular in expanding coverage and access to care in rural areas. In the HealthCare.gov states alone, 1.7 million rural Americans purchased coverage through the Marketplace for 2016, comprising nearly 1 in 5 plan selections. This represents an 11 percent increase from 2015, greater than the overall increase in Marketplace enrollment. The Affordable Care Act also helped ensure that Marketplace plans remained affordable for rural households. For the almost 9 in 10 rural consumers who are eligible for premium tax credits, the average premium increased only 4 percent, or \$5 per month, between 2015 and 2016, despite headlines suggesting double digit increases.

Rural Americans, like residents of metropolitan areas, have also experienced improved access to care as the ACA's major coverage provisions took effect. For example, among rural individuals, the share without access to a personal physician dropped 3.4 percentage points, and the share unable to afford needed care dropped 5.9 percentage points.

Even more progress could be made in improving coverage and access to care for rural communities if the remaining 19 states choose to expand. Nearly two thirds of the rural uninsured (versus 51 percent of uninsured residents of non-metropolitan areas) live in states that have not yet expanded Medicaid at the end of 2015.

Babin Votes to Restore
State Flexibility Over
Ozone Standards

Washington, DC — U.S. Rep. Brian Babin (TX-36) on Wednesday, June 8th, voted to pass the Ozone Standards Implementation Act of 2016 (H.R. 4775), legislation that he cosponsored to allow states the opportunity to pursue cost-effective and practical ways to implement the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)'s ozone standards.

"As the representative of the 36th District of Texas, which has more petrochemical facilities than any other district in the country, I understand the unique impact and extreme difficulties that the EPA's new ozone regulations will

impose on our jobs and economy in Southeast Texas," said Rep. Babin. "The EPA's proposed regulations are unnecessary, unworkable and will destroy thousands of American jobs — with few areas feeling the impact more than Southeast Texas. In fact, Yellowstone National Park, which has no industry, cannot even comply with these extreme regulations. Our bipartisan legislation allows states to address ozone levels through an open, transparent and fair process that improves air quality without adding job killing and unachievable regulations."

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GALENA PARK ISD:
Superintendent celebrates a successful school year with student advisory board



On Monday, May 16, 2016, Dr. Angi Williams took a moment to enjoy lunch and celebrate a successful school year with the students from her 2015-2016 Student Advisory Board. These students represent the student body from their high schools and are selected by their campus principal based on leadership attributes qualities. Dr. Williams meets with the student representatives several times throughout the school year to discuss current events and issues as they pertain to GPISD. January is always the students' favorite meeting because they are afforded the opportunity to participate in a campus "buddy exchange" where they have the opportunity to attend classes with an assigned buddy and observe similarities and differences between their campuses. For the last meeting of the year, students toured GPISD's CTE Early College High School at San Jacinto College North, led by Dr. Jeff Hutchinson, Principal. The field trip was eye opening and many questions were asked about the program, student life and future plans. Upon completion of the tour, students met Dr. Williams for lunch and fellowship.

GP Council,

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or of Baytown and board member of the Port of Houston Authority, presented a plan to Council that will build new sidewalks and walkway lighting along Mercury Drive and Holland Avenue.

The Port has offered to pay most of the cost, asking for a small contribution from the city. The project will be built in phases, with one street receiving a sidewalk, and the other later. When complete, a walking/jogging/biking trail completely surrounding the Port's property will exist, DonCarlos said.

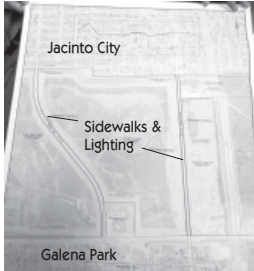
Council also heard a proposal from Attorney Owen Sonik of the law firm Perdue Brandon Fielder Collins & Mott LLP to take over delinquent tax collections for the city, which they approved.

Next the Council heard a proposal from CenterPoint Energy, to replace all the streetlights in the city with new more efficient LED type fixtures. Shelton Mitchell of CenterPoint

explained how the change would be made at no cost to the city initially, with a small monthly charge later that will be offset by reduced energy costs. There are 349 streetlights in the city, he said, and all will be replaced and another 5 new ones added.

In other business, Jonathan Castrejon of Harris County explained a program to test and replace lead in houses, at no cost to qualifying residents.

After the Council meeting, the Mayor invited everyone to join her in the lobby, where she was serving home-made cheesecake and chocolate cake.



Galena Park High School student named All State Teens Serving Texas Finalist

Galena Park High School Senior Jocelyn Yanez was recently named as one of the All State Teens Serving Texas finalists as a result of her countless hours of volunteering and service. This award is sponsored by the Texas Association of Secondary School Principals (TASSP), which recognizes high school seniors who have demonstrated excellence in the areas of service, leadership and personal accomplishment. Students are asked to describe their contributions to these areas in a two-page essay. Thirty students will be recognized for this award, five scholarship winners and 25 finalists. Winners will receive a \$500 scholarship and finalists will receive plaques.



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Mary "Betty" Elizabeth Pierce

Mary "Betty" Elizabeth Pierce, 90, of Jacinto City, went to be with our Lord on June 9, 2016 surrounded by her family in Galveston, Texas.

Ms. Pierce was born May 26, 1926 in Edge, Texas to parents Charley and Mary (Bingham) Payne. Known to many as "Betty", she married Albert Dale Pierce on March 17, 1946 and they enjoyed 54 years together until his death in 2001. She and her husband owned and operated North Shore Pest Control in Jacinto City for 63 years and enjoyed being a part of their community where they raised their family.

children, Tab and Diana Pierce, Kayli and Micha Pierce; great-grandchildren, Jade Renee Pierce, Devin Pierce; as well as numerous extended family members and friends.

Funeral services were held Tuesday, June 14, 2016 at 10:00 a.m. in the chapel of Carter Funeral Home, friends joined the family at 9:00 a.m. for visitation before the service. Graveside services followed at 2:00 p.m. at House Cemetery near Edge, Texas under the direction of Carter Funeral Home.

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Joe Richard Silva, Sr.

Joe Richard Silva, Sr., 86, of Houston, Texas passed from this life into his heavenly home on June 07, 2016. Known to friends as Richard, he was born September 02, 1929 in San Juan, Texas to parents, Antonio & Rosalina Silva. He retired from Fibro Petroleum after 40 years, where he worked as an instrument technician. He was preceded in death by his parents and by his beloved wife of 68 years, Irene Silva and by daughter, Teresa Silva Brinker and by brother, Tony Silva and sisters, Nina... Flores and Mernia Champion. He is survived by son, Joe R. Silva, Jr. & wife, Deborah;

by daughter, Sandra Kay Silva Bird & husband, Bob; by grandchildren, Kelly & Alf Evans, Cati & Matt Renfro, Molly & Charles Hightower, Cory & Dana Silva, Matthew Silva, Michael & Lauren Silva, Audrey Silva Moraz, Zachary & Katie

Welch, Jered Welch & Jeremy Welch; by great-grandchildren, Trey Evans, Shaefer Evans, Wyatt Renfro, Caitlyn Castro, Savanna & Brianna Silva, Micah Silva & Cheyenne Best; by sister, Hilda Escobar and by brother, Ruben D. Silva & wife, Rachel. Services celebrating his life will be held 10:00 a.m. Saturday, June 11, 2016 at Memorial Baptist Church, 15720 Proctor, Channelview, Texas with Rev. C.M. Kelly officiating. He will be laid to rest in San Jacinto Memorial Park following the services, under the direction of Carter Funeral Home.

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Leviticus 19:32

BUSINESS

Give Your Children the Gift of (Financial) Knowledge

It's almost Father's Day. If you're a dad with young children, you can expect some nice homemade cards and maybe even a baseball cap. But, of course, your greatest reward is spending time with your kids and watching them grow. In return, you can give them a gift – the gift of knowledge. Specifically, in the months and years ahead, teach them the financial skills that can help make their lives easier and more rewarding.

For starters, encourage your children to become savers. You can do this in a couple of different ways. First, set a good example. You might explain to your kids that you want to buy a certain item, but you are waiting for it to go on sale. Or, if it's a particularly big-ticket item, like an ultra high-definition television, tell your children that you simply can't afford it now, but that you are putting away some money each week until you can. You might even make a chart showing your progress.

Another way to help your children become better savers is to provide them with a monetary incentive. To illustrate: For every dollar they put into a "piggy bank" or an actual savings account, tell them you'll put in, say, 50 cents. They are likely to be pleased and excited by how much faster their money grows with your contribution, and they may well become more motivated to save. Furthermore, you'll be giving them a valuable lesson for later on in life, when they work for a business that offers to match their contributions to a 401(k) or other retirement plan. Unfortunately, many young people, upon taking on their first "career" jobs, either under-contribute to their retirement plans or ignore them completely – thereby making it more likely that, later on in their working lives, they will have to come up with much bigger sums each year to accumulate enough resources for a comfortable retirement.

Learning to save is certainly important – but chil-

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By Edward Jones

dren should also learn about investing. To help get your children interested in becoming investors, point out that they can actually own shares of companies with which they are already familiar – the companies that make the games they play, the movies they watch and the food they eat. In fact, you could even simulate the investment process by letting them choose a stock and then follow it. To make the results more tangible, use "play" money to represent an initial investment, and add or subtract to the pile to track the ups and downs of the real stock. You might even explain some of the reasons for the stock's movements; for example, if you and your child are following the stock of an entertainment company, and that company produces a blockbuster movie that leads to sequels, spinoffs and merchandise tie-ins,

you can point out how these developments have pushed up the company's stock price.

You might also explain that while these short-term price movements are interesting – and maybe even fun – to follow, investing is actually a long-term endeavor, and the best investors often hold stocks for many years before selling them.

By following these suggestions, you can help your children acquire good financial habits – and seeing them put these skills to good use can provide you with many happy Father's Days in the future.

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Diamond Jim: "What is the history of Jewelry?"



ASK DIAMOND JIM

Here's a Timeline of Jewelry

- 110,000 - 73,000 BC - Decorative sea shell beads found in the archeological digs in Morocco. They were probably used as amulets. Drilled shells have also been found in Israel, Algeria and South Africa.
- 38,000 BC - Beads made from bone and animal teeth found in France.
- 28,000 BC - Fossilized shells and ivory beads found in the East Gravettian culture, located in modern Czech Republic.
- 4400 BC - Around the time of first domesticated animals and invention of wheel, ancient Thracian civilization produced oldest known objects made from gold.
- 5000- 30 BC - Use of copper starts a new era in jewelry production, and secrets of alluvial gold gathering arrives in Egypt around 4000 BC. They quickly start producing glazed steatite beads and countless jewelry designs based on scarab beetles, scrolls, winged birds, tigers, jackals and antelopes. Popular gemstones of that time were carnelian, feldspar, amethyst, chalcedony, lapis lazuli and turquoise.
- 2750 - 1200 BC - Ancient Mesopotamia produced wide range of jewelry based on the design of lives, grapes, cones and spirals. Gemstones that they used were agate, lapis, jasper and carnelian.
- 1400 - 30BC - Greek jewelry was made in the style of animals and shells and was infused with the amethysts, pearls, chalcedony, cornelian, garnet and emeralds.
- 500 BC - 400 AD - Ancient Roma preferred seal rings, brooches, amulets and talismans that were infused with the designs of animals and coiling snakes. Most popular gem-

stones were sapphires, emeralds, pearls, amber, garnets, jet and diamonds.

- 400 - 1000 AD - In European Dark Ages use of jewelry was not common, except among higher nobility and royalty.
- 1066 - 1485 - Medieval jewelry finally become widespread by the help of religion. The most famous designs of that time were hair and cloth jewelry that was worn during religious ceremonies. They were adorned with gemstones such as rubies, sapphires, pearls, emeralds, semi-precious stones and diamonds.
- 1500 - 1830 - Arrival of Renaissance and Georgian time period brought rise of jewelry use in entire Europe. Necklaces (single or multi strand), earrings (ordinary or with chandeliers), and many other designs were decorated with the images of animals. Intricately designed gemstones became very popular to the point that diamond jewelry became commonly used as a part of evening attire.

- 1835 - 1900 - Reign of English Queen Victoria had a profound effect of fashion and jewelry tastes in Europe.
- Early 1900s - These years were remembered for the Art Noveau and Edwardian styles.
- 1920 - 1935 - Roaring Twenties brought the rise of the Art Deco, which introduced jewelry of vibrant colors, filled with geometrical shapes, abstract designs, cubism, modernism and oriental art. It also popularized wearing of wristwatches.
- 1939 - 1949 - Because of influence of World War II and widespread embargoes on gemstones, popular jewelry shifted to the more metal based designs adorned with patriotic motifs and semi-precious and synthetic gemstones.
- 1950s - Post war years saw the return of brightly colored jewelry, heavy use of rhinestones and big beads. Diamonds solidified its spot as the most popular gemstone.

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Public notification of nondiscrimination in CTE programs

Crosby ISD offers Career and Technical Education programs within the national career clusters of: agriculture, food
and natural resources; business-marketing-finance; information technologies; audio/video communication; educa-
tion and training; hospitality and tourism; law and public safety; manufacturing; marketing, sales and service; sci-
ence, technology, engineering and math.

Admission to CTE programs is based on student interest and grade level.

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Crosby ISD will take steps to ensure that lack of English language skills will not be a barrier to admission and
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Notificación pública de no discriminación en programas vocacionales

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La admisión a estos programas se basa en student interest y grade level.

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COMMUNITY

NEW LIBRARY,

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president of the North Campus when it began operations at high school facilities in 1974. He became the first president of the North Campus when the position was created in 1981 and served as in that role until he retired in 1997. Many friends and relatives of Dr. Lehr attended the ceremony and expressed their appreciation that the new library was named in his honor, including his widow, Dovie Lehr, and daughters, Lynda Cobler, and Holly Jones.

"I am very thankful that the San Jacinto College Board of Trustees voted unanimously to keep the new library named in honor of Dr. Lehr," commented Mrs. Lehr. "To me, that shows how important my late husband's contributions were, not only to the College, but also to the community. Edwin was very involved in the North Channel community by serving as the first president of the chamber of commerce, serving with the North Shore Rotary, and by being on the board that started an EMS in the community. The College and the community both meant so much to him, and he would be so pleased that the new library continues to bear his name."

Contractors and designers involved in the project include ACR Engineering, Bay – IBI Architects, Gensler Architects, Brooks and Sparks, Inc., Civil Concepts, Facility Programming, HTS, Inc. Consultants, Rizzo and Associates, Tellepsen Construction Company, Ulrich Diederich Design, Graph-tec, Facility Interiors, Walter P. Moore, Network Cabling Services, JDG Enterprises, Building Exterior Solutions, FMG, Haworth, Construction Masters of Houston, Dell Marketing and Clark, Duncan, Morris.



Members of the Lehr family, elected officials, and San Jacinto College administration were on hand for the grand reopening of the Lehr Library at the San Jacinto College North Campus. Pictured, from left (front row): Lynda Cobler, Ty Rogers, Holly Jones, and Dovie Lehr (relatives of the late Dr. Edwin Lehr), San Jacinto College Chancellor Dr. Brenda Hellyer, and San Jacinto College Trustee Dr. Ruede Wheeler; (back row): Lyn Garner (North Campus library director), Shayla Smith, Tommy Webb, Emma Jones, Curtis Smith, and Garry Cobler (Lehr family); Dr. Charles Grant (former North Campus president), Will Miller (Southeast Texas Deputy Director, U.S. Senator Ted Cruz), La Porte Mayor Louis Rigby, Lauren Laake (Chief of Staff, Houston City Councilman Dave Martin), San Jacinto College North Campus Provost Dr. Bill Raffetto, Jordan McGinty (Intern, Houston City Councilman Dave Martin), and Ruth Keenan, San Jacinto College Foundation executive director. Photo credit: Rob Vanya, San Jacinto College marketing, public relations, and government affairs department.

NEW ORGANIZATION, VISIT,

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investigation, such as the Liberty Disposal site in Highlands, and the Patrick Bayou dump site in Deer Park. She plans on more meetings per month, to keep the community engaged and informed of the work of the new group.

As part of the work of the San Jacinto River Coalition, part of the community engaged and informed of the work of the new group. The Coalition is watching damage the Toxic Waste Pits "cap" sustained during the recent heavy rains. Over Memorial weekend, about 6 to 7 inches of rain fell in the Highlands area and upstream, and the river rose to 11.12 feet, the highest it has been since the 2008 hurricane and flood surge.

Debris such as furniture, trees, were seen in the river near the Waste Pits cap. On June 7 the TCEQ and the PRP,

or Potentially Responsible Parties, did a visual inspection of the cap and observed that some of the geotextile membrane had been exposed, subjecting it to further damage in the future. Some of this debris can still be observed sitting on top of the cap. The flood waters and debris not only exposed part of the membrane under the rock cap, but also dislodged three observation cameras and a ring of orange marker buoys that had been set in the water around the perimeter of the Waste Pits. As of this week, remedial work was underway to correct these problems.

In addition, the EPA has scheduled an underwater inspection on the western slope of the cap, to inspect for further damage.

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She knocked Trump who opposes the Paycheck Fairness Act over fears that it could make it easier to sue corporations over allegations of pay inequity.

"What century are they living in?" she said. "But thankfully, the American people know the truth, and the truth is when a woman is short-changed, the entire family is short-changed."

She said, "we're going to have to stand up to people who want to keep the deck stacked in favor of those at the top..." pointing out Donald Trump says wages is too high now.

Hillary Clinton as Senator introduced the Paycheck Fairness Act in 2005 and 2007. Clinton noted that "pay discrimination continues to result in women earning less than men for performing the same job."

COMMUNITY EVENTS

NEIGHBORHOOD SAFETY MEETING

Monday, June 20, 2016, 8:30 A.M., East Freeway HPD Storefront, 12001-A East Freeway (Next to Burlington).

Galena Park Library Programs

-Thur., June 16, Mad Science, 4 pm.
-Monday, June 20, Teen Program-Meditation for Healthy Living, 4 pm.
-Tue., June 21, Family Movie, 4 pm.
-Wed., June 22, Baby Time, 10 am; Storytime, 11 am; Get Active, 4 pm.
-Thurs., June 23, Houston Texans Toro, 4 pm.
Galena Park Branch Library, 1500 Keene St., Galena Park, TX. For information on other programs, please call 713-450-0982.

The Buckshot Jamboree

Enjoy Classic Country music every Saturday night from 7 pm - 10 pm with The Buckshot Jamboree at 7414 Hartman near Old Beaumont Highway. More info, call 281-458-0729 or 832-444-5000.

Galena Park Senior Dance

Senior Dance is every Monday at the Alvin D. Building, 1302 Keene St., Galena Park. 7 pm - 9 pm. No cover charge. Live band Country music. Call for more information: 713-455-7335.

North Shore Senior Dance

North Shore Seniors holds a dance every Thursday from 1 - 4 pm at the Grayson/Baldree Building, Corpus Christi street. Live bands and refreshments. Cost is \$ 5/per person. For more information call 713-455-3660.

Jacinto City Library programs

-Frid., June 17, Clases de Inglés Usando Mango, 1 pm.
-Sat., June 18, Family Movie Theater, 12:30 pm; Learn to Download library eBooks, 3 pm.
-Tue., June 21, Southwest Dairy Farmers Cow, 10:30 am; e-mail, 10:30 am; email Básico, 4:30 pm.
-Wed., June 22, Baby Time, 10:30 am; Scavenger Hunt (Teens) 2 pm; ELS Classes (Clases de Inglés), 12:30 pm.
Jacinto City Branch Library, 921 Akron, Jacinto City, TX. 77029. For more information on these and other programs at the library, please call 713-673-3237.

New "Garden Club "Meeting

Everyone Welcome, Novices to Experts!
We'll be sharing gardening techniques from one another!
Where: Grayson Community Center
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